(b) Does not arise.

Complaints Against Property Dealers In Delhi

6286. SHRI KRISHAN DUTT (Sultanpuri): Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any complaints received by the Government against property dealers in Delhi during the last one year;

(b) if so, the details theresof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM). (a) to (c).The information is being collected and will be laid the Table of th Sabha.

Ahmednagar Fort As National Monument

6287. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESORCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have any proposal to declare Ahmednager Fort as a 'National Monument';

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the barracks of the fort where national leaders were imprisoned has been converted into a big hall; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM). (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) It is not found feasible to shift large number of Defence establishments located within the fort and hand it over to Archaeological Survey of India for maintenance as a monument of national importance.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Increase In Wages

6288. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to raise the wages of textile workers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR). (a) to (c). Under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 the respective State Governments and Union Territory Administrations are the appropriate Governments for fixation, revision and implementation of minimum wages in scheduled employments, who fix and revise the minimum rates of wages for textile workers taking into consideration different factors peculiar to the concerned State/Union Territory. The State Govts./Union Territory Administrations have been requested from time to time to follow the recommendation of the 31st Session of the Labour Ministers Conference

held in July, 1980 that the minimum wages should be reviewed and revised, if necessary once at least in two years or on a rise of 50 points in the Consumer Price Index number, whichever is earlier.

[*English*]

Renovation of Shiv Mandir at Thane

6289. SHRI RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESORCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any Memorandum for the rebuilt/ renovation of more the 1000 years old Shiv Mandir (Temple) at Ambernath, District Thane (Maharastra);

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM). (a) to (c). A letter has been received from the Ambernath Temple Renovation Committee for allowing them to carry out repairs including total restoration of the temple in its original shape.

The request could not be agreed to due to the non availability of authentic documents, drawings, photographs of the original format of the temple in full and it is against the principles of archaeological conservation to restore the missing parts of a monument without positive evidence. Besides, it is a centrally protected monument which has to be maintained and conserved by the Archaeological Survey of India. The temple is alreday included in the current years programme and some conservation measures have already been initiated.

[*Translation*]

Unemployed Persons Belonging to Scheduled Castes

6290. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted to ascertain the number of unemployed persons among Scheduled Castes: and

(b) the number of unemployed Scheduled Castes in Punjab or Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) No survey has been conducted to ascertain those number of unemployed persons among Scheduled Castes.

(b) The number of persons registered with the Employment Exchanges in the two States as on 31.12 1990 was as follows:

Orissa	=	1.4 lakhs
Punjab	=	1.75 lakhs

[*English*]

Wages for Labourers Engaged in Salt Production

6291. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have enacted any law regarding the minimum wages of the labourers engaged in the salt industry:

(b) if so, the details thereof; and